

I. AMENDMENTS

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows.

Please enter the following amendment to paragraph 001.

This application is a divisional application of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/954,392, filed September 12, 2001, which application claims benefit of priority of U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/282,258, filed April 5, 2001, which applications are ~~application is~~ incorporated herein by reference in ~~[[its]]~~ their entirety.

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel claims 1-6 and 12-27 without prejudice to renewal.

1.-6. (Canceled)

7. (Original) A method of detecting specific lysis of a target cell in a plurality of different target cells, comprising:

a) contacting a lytic agent with:

i) a first target cell labeled with a first plasma membrane-labeling fluorescent dye and a cytosol-labeling fluorescent dye; and

ii) at least a second target cell labeled with a second plasma membrane-labeling fluorescent dye and the cytosol-labeling fluorescent dye;

b) determining the amount of fluorescent label remaining in the first and at least the second target cell, wherein a reduction in the amount of the cytosol-labeling fluorescent dye in any of said target cells indicates that the target cell is lysed by the lytic agent; and

c) relating the plasma membrane-labeling fluorescent dye in the unlysed target cell to the identity of the unlysed target cell.

8. (Original) The method of claim 7, wherein at least one of said plurality of target cells is a control target cell.